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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A

Vinton Field

Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **BROWNING OIL COMPANY**, **INC.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A, in the Vinton Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A, in the Vinton Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, said unit to be designated HBY RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To provide that any wells drilled to the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A, should be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).
- 4. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A, in the Vinton Field by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of such reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
 - 5. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

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The Hackberry Sand, Reservoir A, in the Vinton Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 10,585 feet and 10,640 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Sun Oil Company – Brooks No. 3 Well, located in Section 20, Township 10 South, Range 12 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and is further defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the vertical depths of 10,835 feet and 11,023 feet (electrical log measurements), in the Mayne and Mertz, Inc. – HBY RF SUA; Walker 30 No. 1 Well, located in Section 30, Township 10 South, Range 12 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from W. H. Robbins & Associates LLC, 302 LaRue France, Lafayette, LA 70508, Telephone Number (337) 232-5004.

Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on March 30, 2006, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. The conference was opened by representatives of the applicant who explained the bases for the unit being requested. Questions were asked and answered. A representative of a landowner owning property south of the proposed unit suggested that the unit should be shifted southward so as to include a portion of his client's acreage. No resolution of differences was reached at the conference or since. Opposition at the hearing is possible.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the applicant's proposal, the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being furnished. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such plat (being the same plat attached to the preapplication notice dated March 7, 2006) and list of parties are being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the plat and/or list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation and submitted on behalf of the applicant representing the hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

RWRjr/df Attachments

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties

